



User Interface Enhancements

In Creating and Modeling Experiments and Samples in the Refl1d
Modeling Program

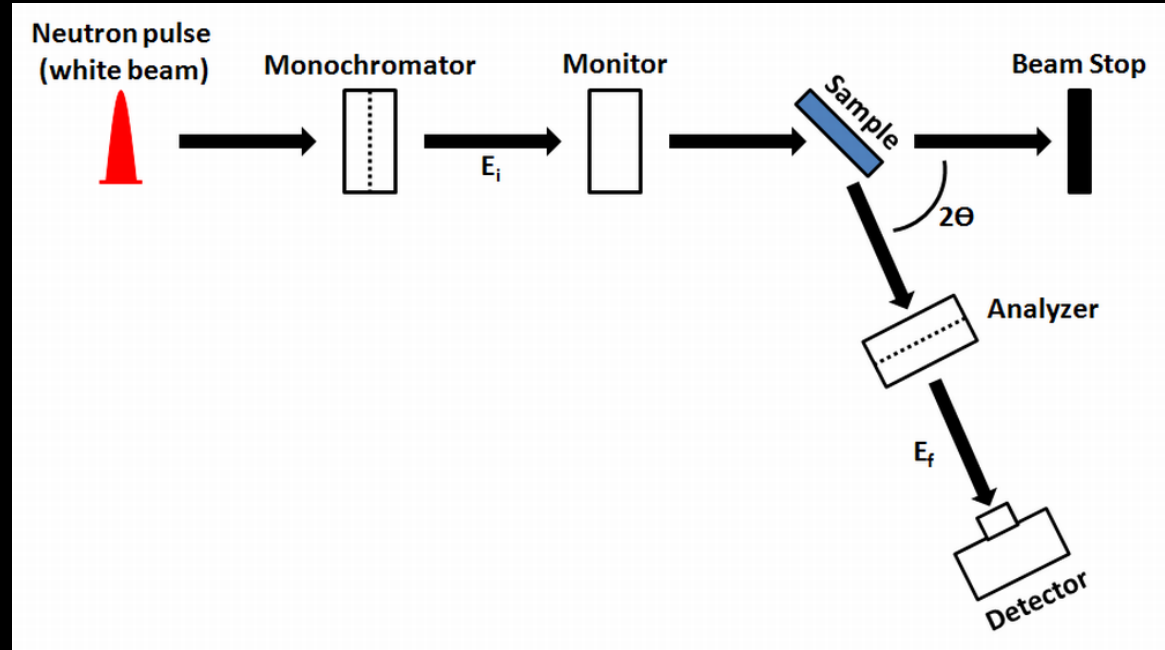
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Motivation

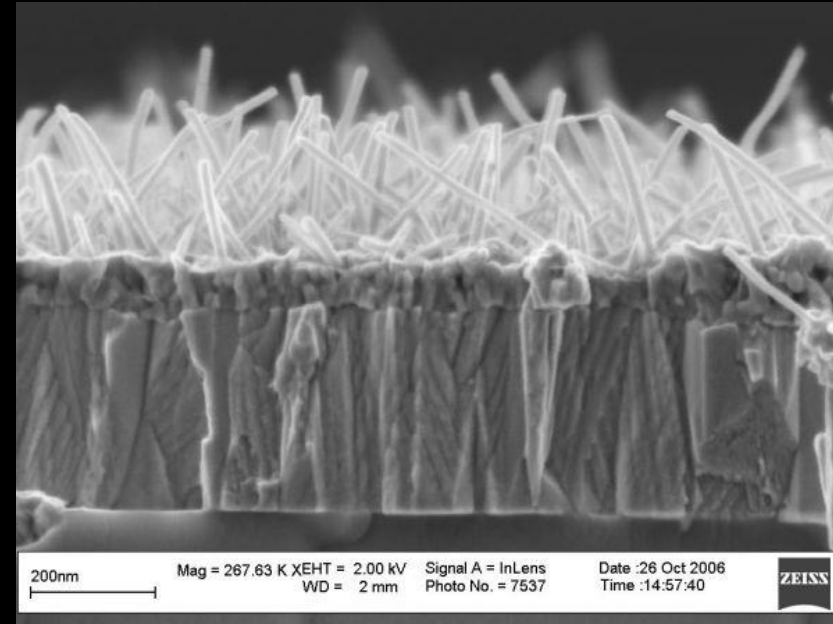
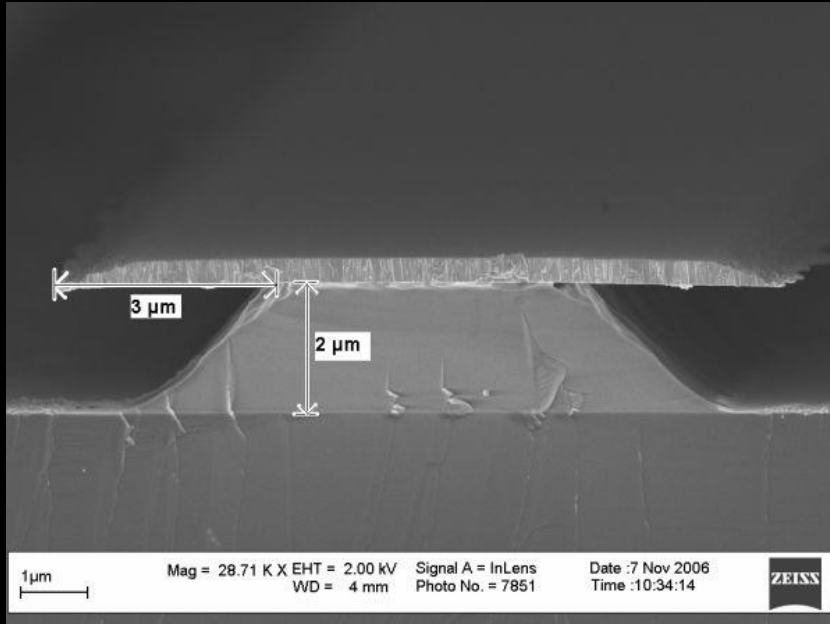
- We have a great program that is capable of doing a lot in the application of reflectometry, but accessing core features requires too much code fiddling.
- Minimize the time required to access core features of the program while also minimizing the user access and dependence on changing the code.

The Refl1d Program

- Observe the intensities of reflection as a function of the angle of incidence.
- “Fit” a model with data collected



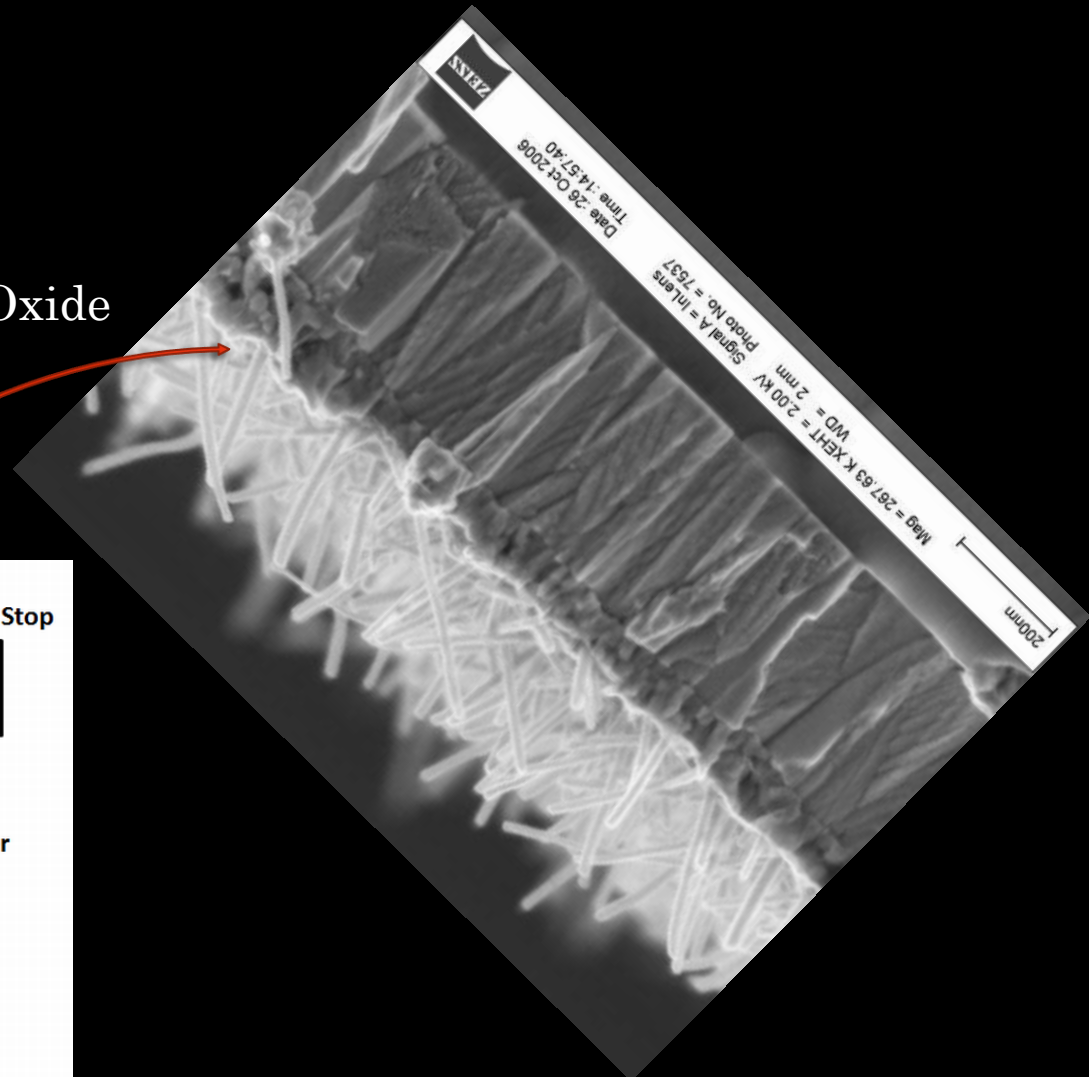
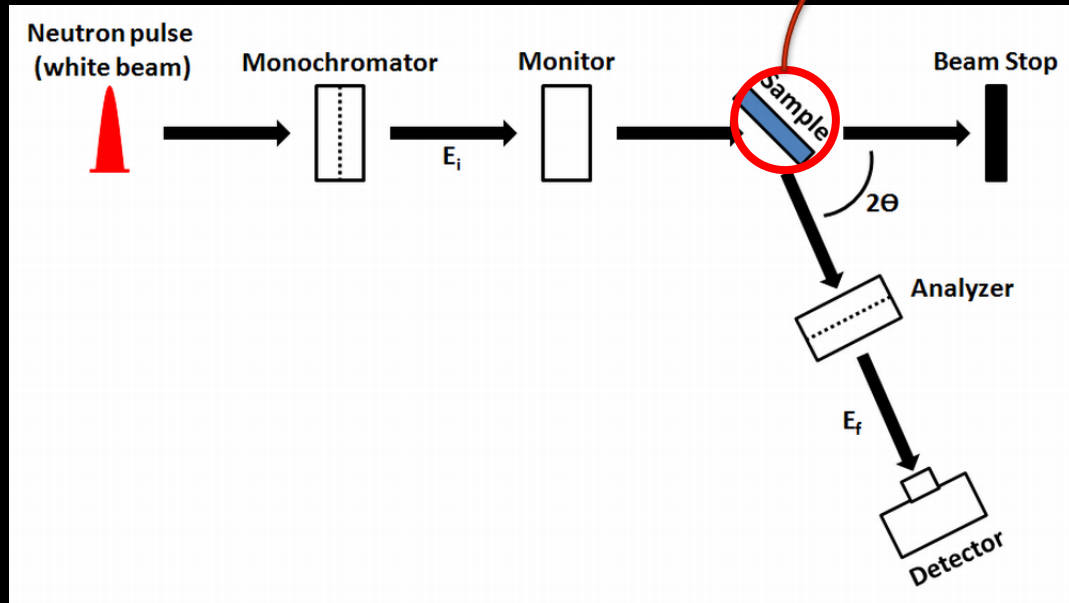
Example: Tungsten Oxide



- Layer consists of a silicon substrate, with a free standing tungsten thin film and tungsten nano wires

Example

Tungsten Oxide



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What Refl1d needs

- The current way of editing layers requires the user to be familiar with the code.
 - Once the program has loaded and is running, there is no way to add, delete, or edit information about any of the layers in the stack.

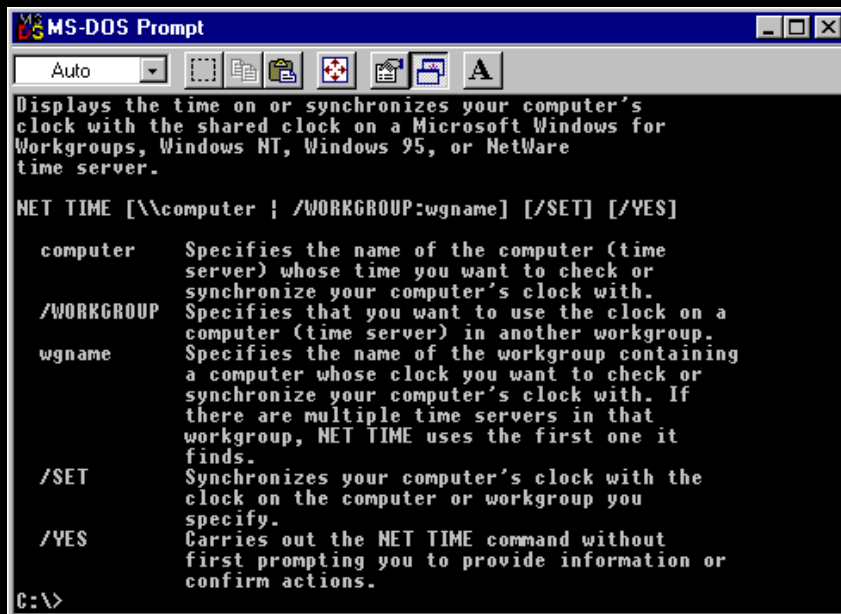
This made the current way of editing the layers in astack annoying

It is not friendly towards users and scientist who don't know how to program and just want to these sort of things to just “work”

Solution

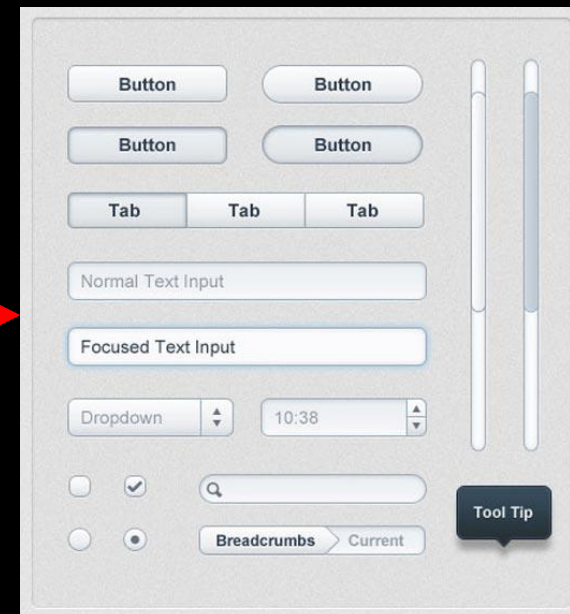
Add a GUI (Graphical User Interface)

- We allow the users to do what they want by letting them right click in the program and work with the layers through a dialog.



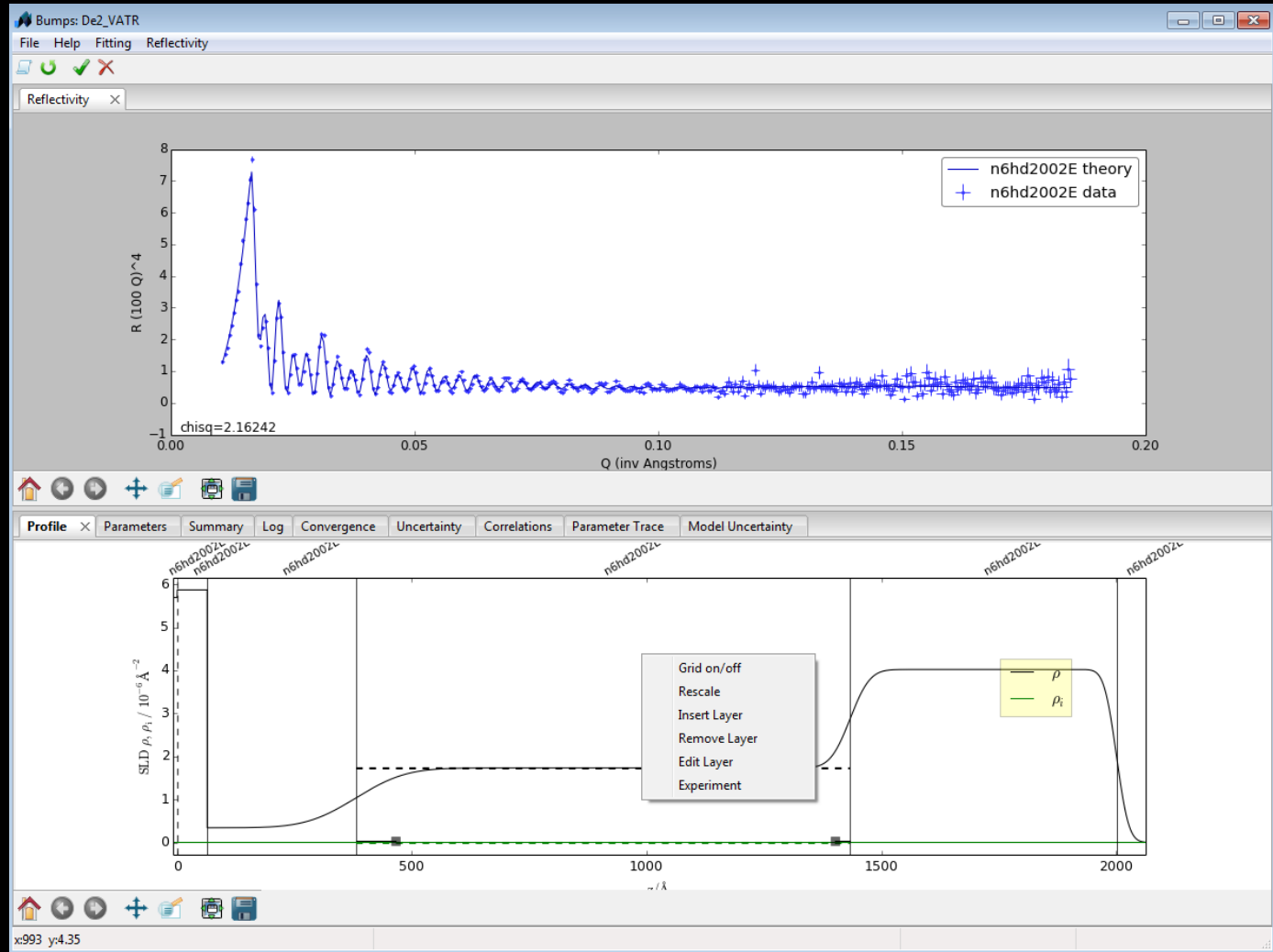
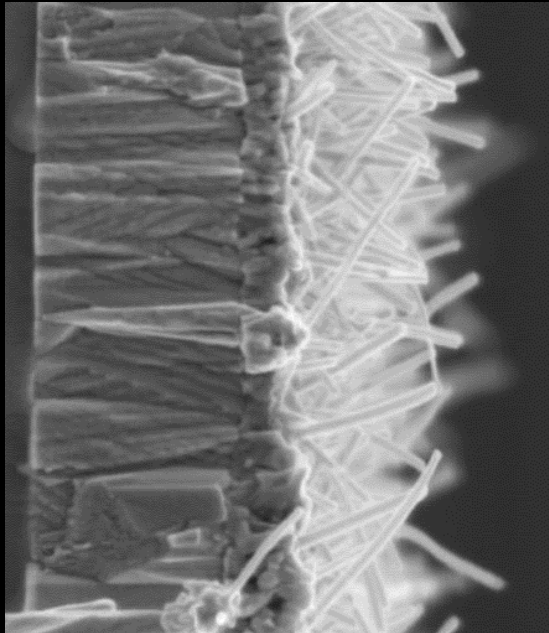
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clock with the shared clock on a Microsoft Windows for
Workgroups, Windows NT, Windows 95, or NetWare
time server.
NET TIME [\\computer | /WORKGROUP:wgname] [/SET] [/YES]

computer Specifies the name of the computer (time
server) whose time you want to check or
synchronize your computer's clock with.
/WORKGROUP Specifies that you want to use the clock on a
computer (time server) in another workgroup.
wgname Specifies the name of the workgroup containing
a computer whose clock you want to check or
synchronize your computer's clock with. If
there are multiple time servers in that
workgroup, NET TIME uses the first one it
finds.
/SET Synchronizes your computer's clock with the
clock on the computer or workgroup you
specify.
/YES Carries out the NET TIME command without
first prompting you to provide information or
confirm actions.
C:\>
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Invoking Pop Up Menu

- Invoke layer options by right clicking in the model view



Inserting Layers

Available Parameters

- Material name
- Rho (scattering length density)
- iRho (imaginary SLD)
- Layer thickness
- Interface

Layer

Material Name:

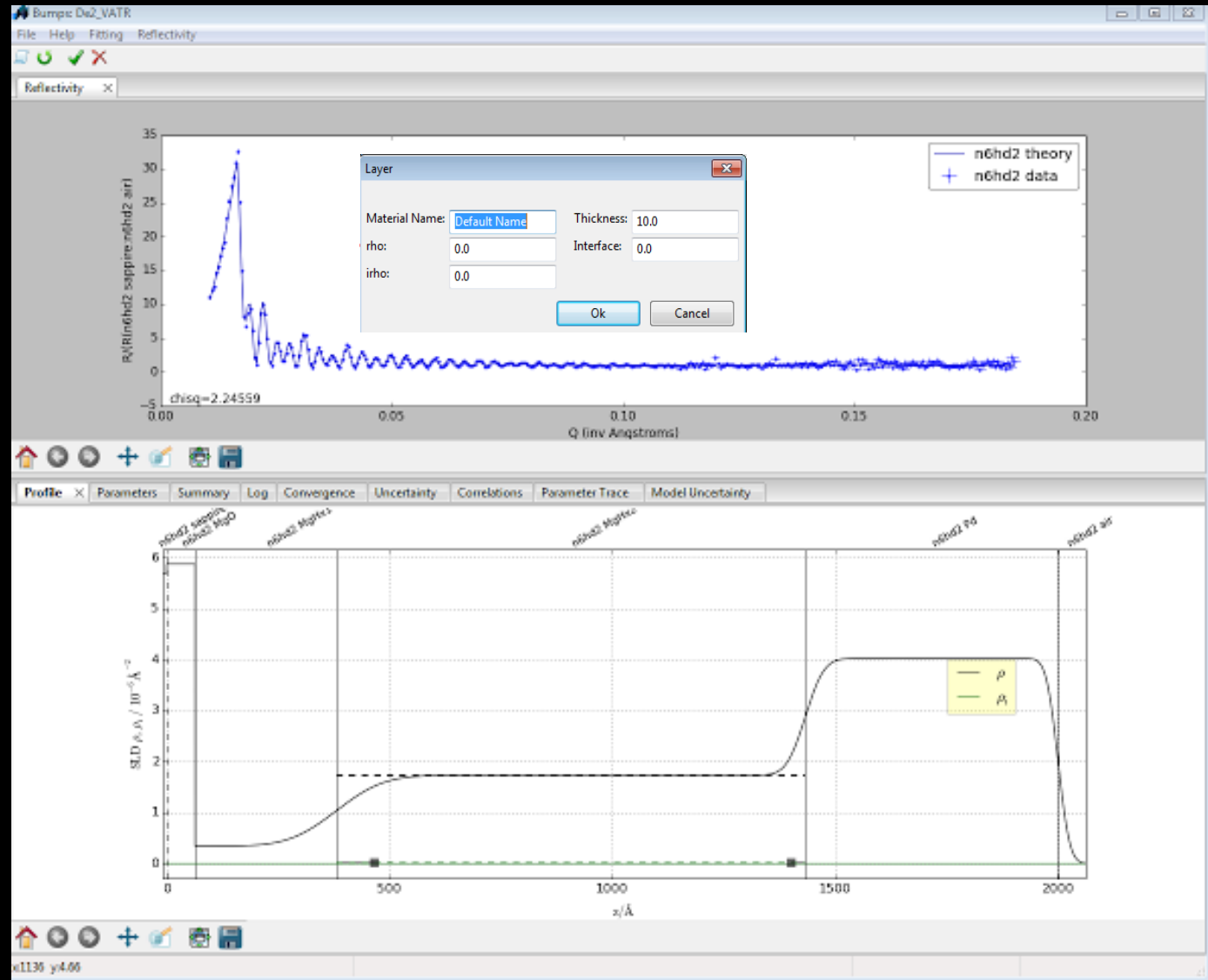
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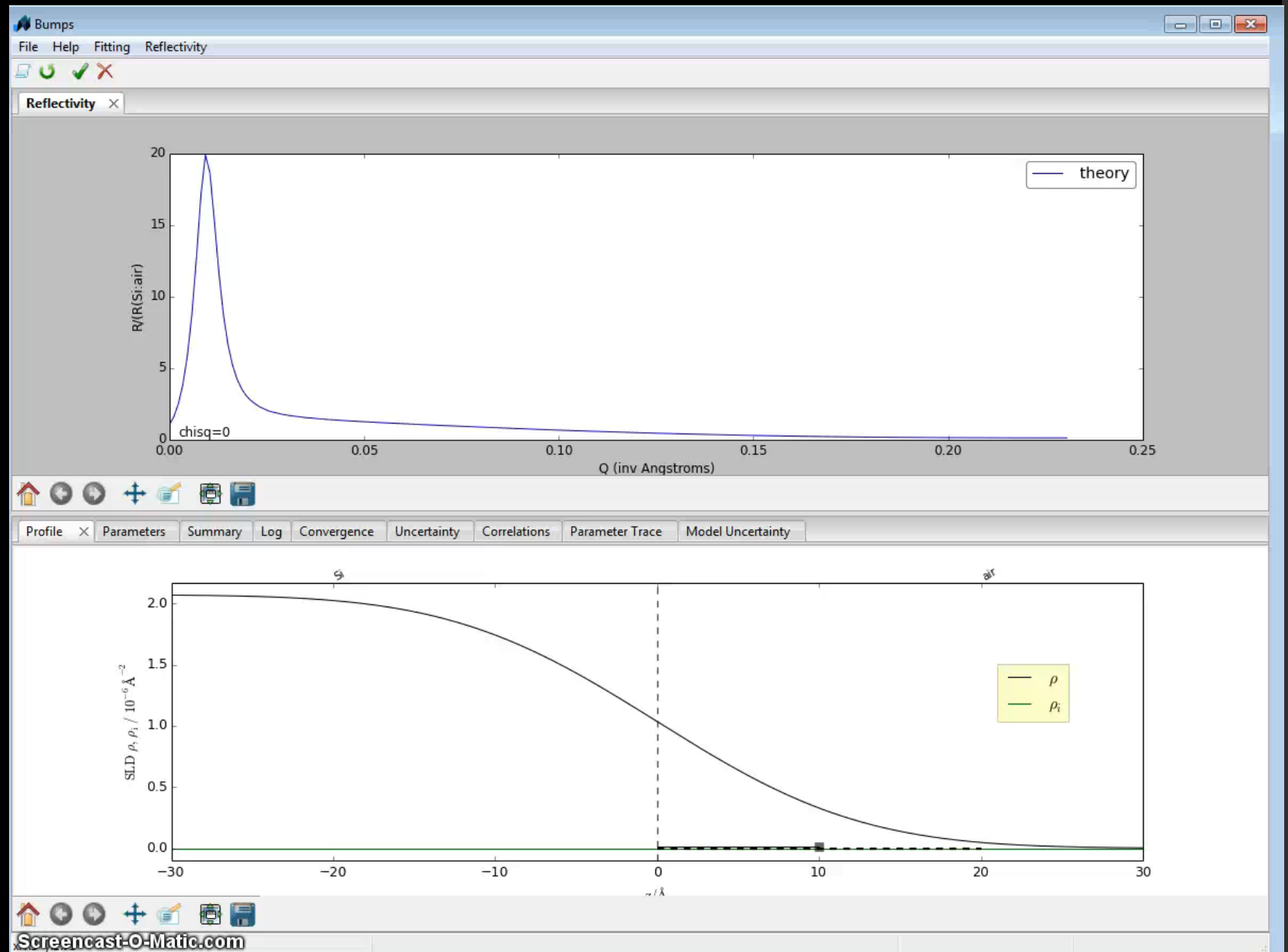
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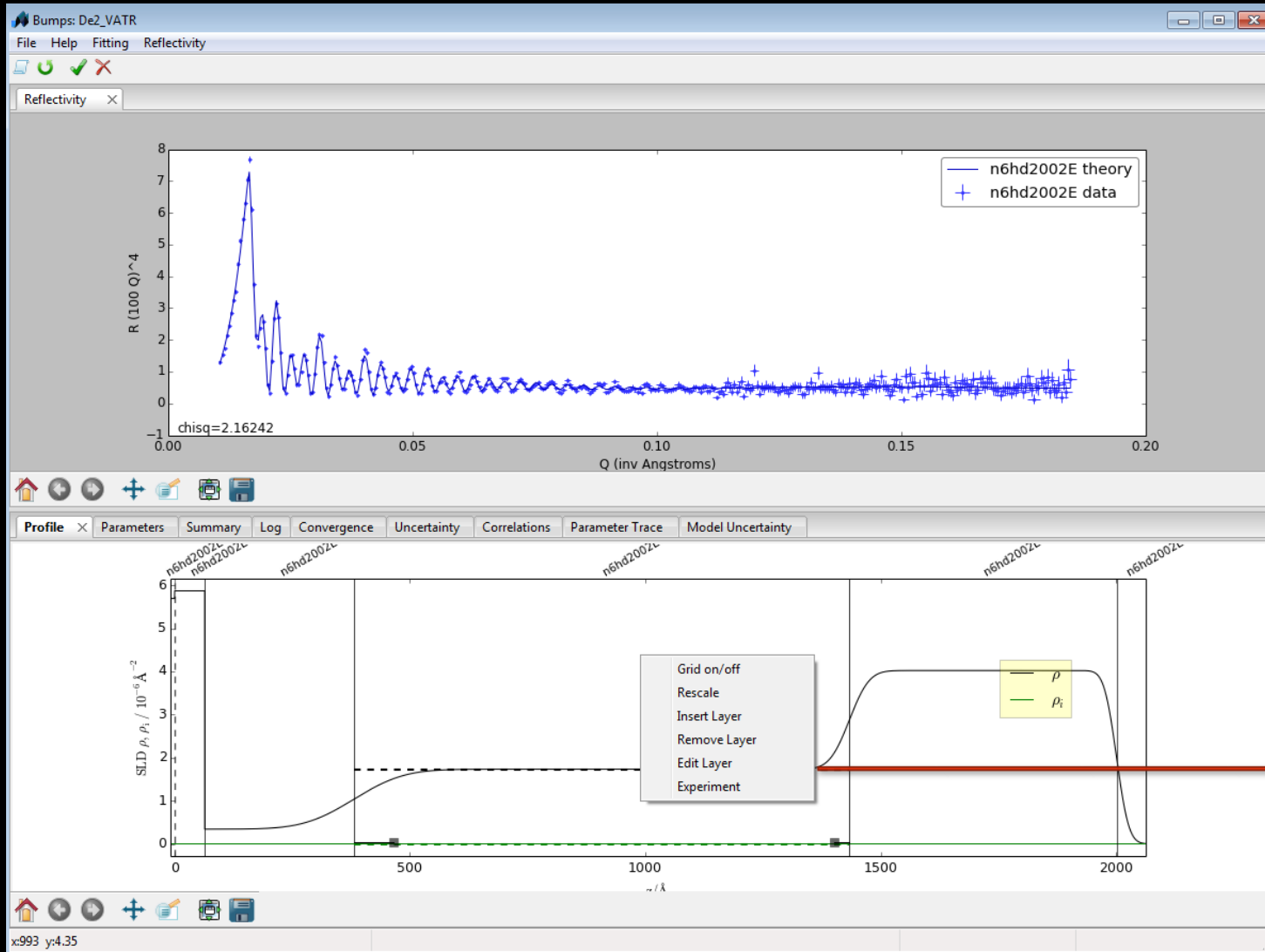
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Demo



Editing Layers



Layer

Name:

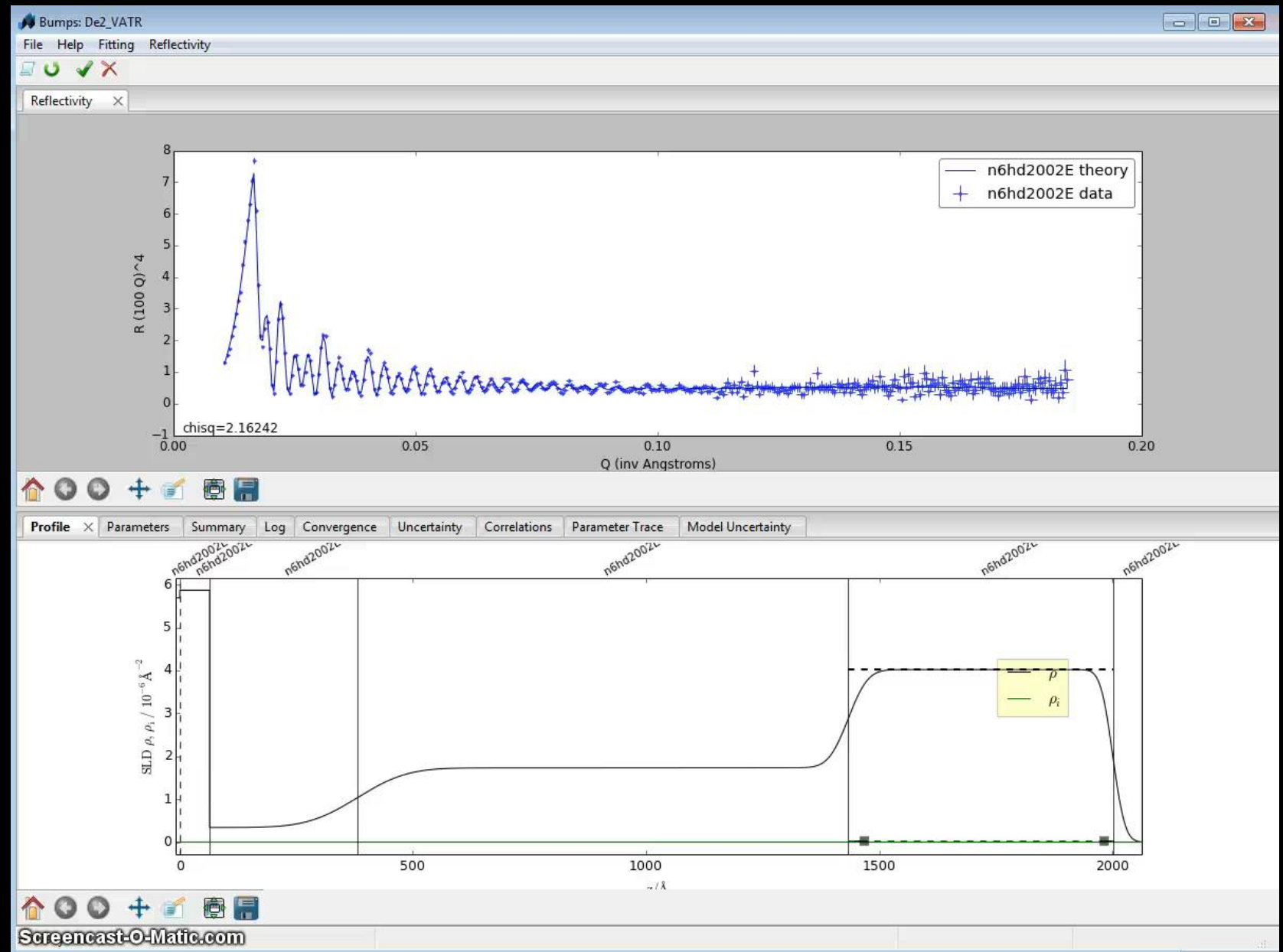
Thickness:

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Interface:

irho:

Demo



So Now What?

- Being able to create a model is good only if you can “model” it on an experiment (with actual data) and confirm that your model is accurate (via “fitting”)
- The current Refl1d does not allow the user to import an experiment in a fast and easy way in run time...

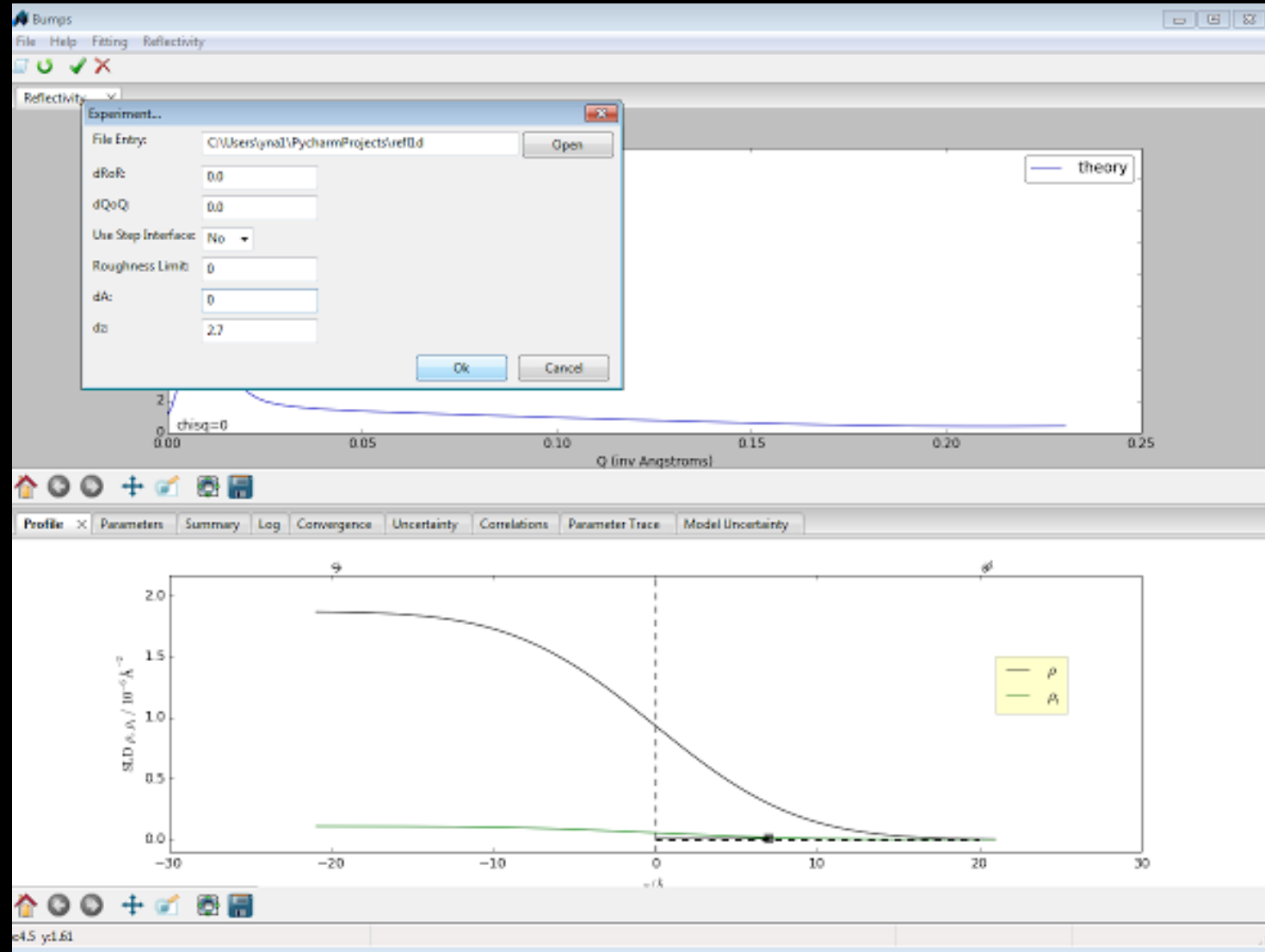
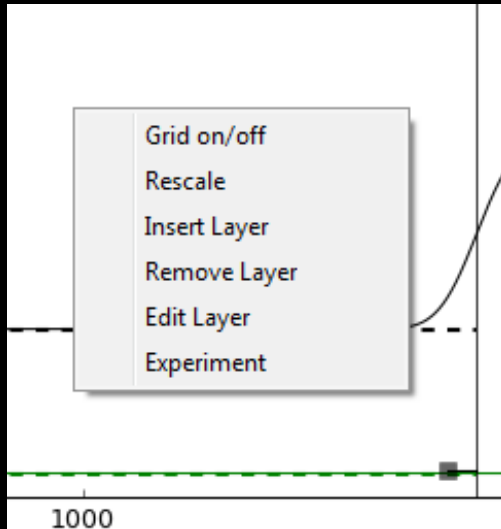
Solution

Enable the user to add data in runtime with through GUI (Graphical User Interface)

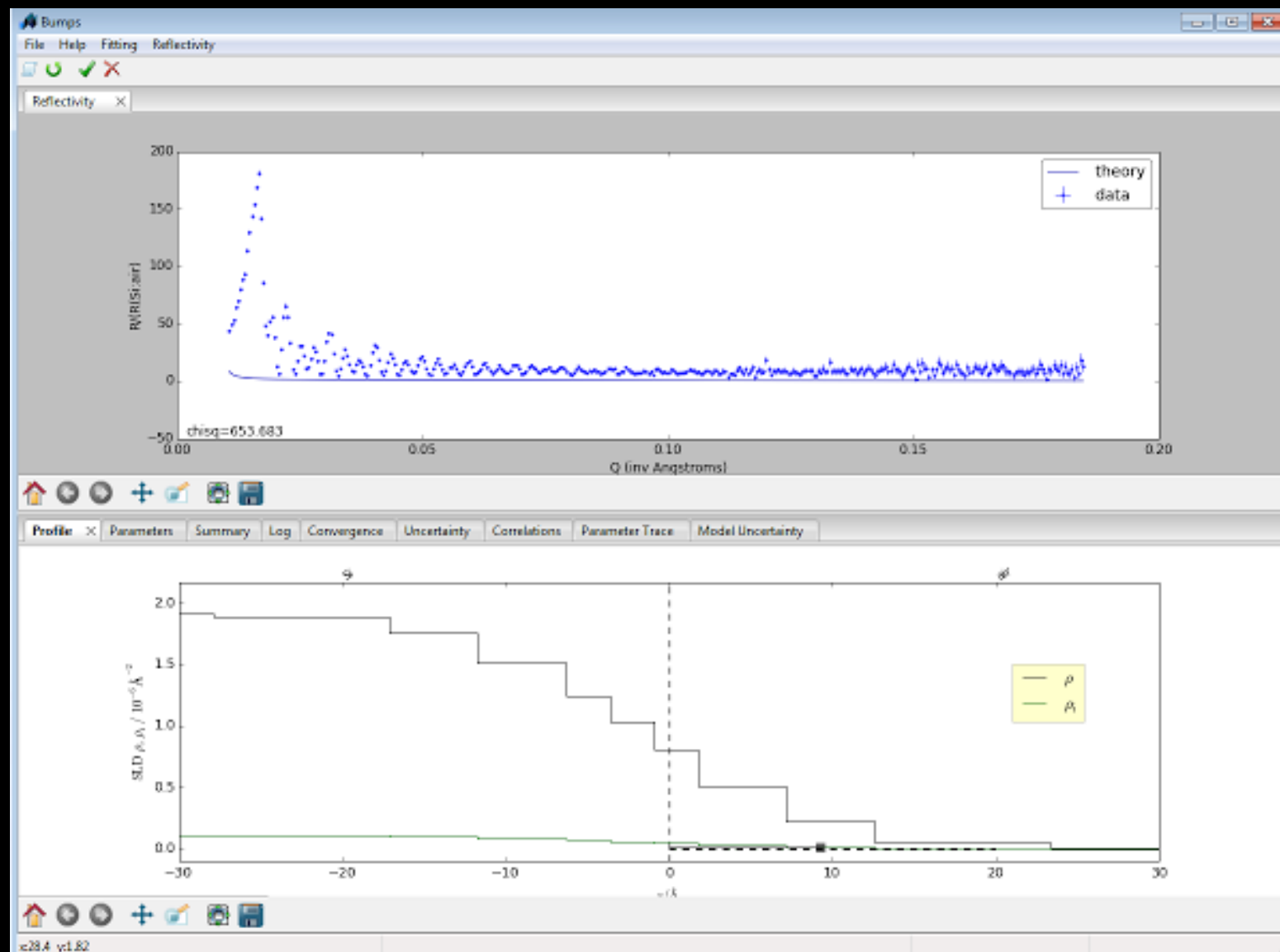
Experiment Dialog

Available Parameters

- Data File
- dRoR (data uncertainty)
- dQoQ (data resolution)
- Step Interface
- Roughness Limit
- dA
- dz



Demo



Conclusion

- We can now easily interact with the program in a much more user friendly way
- Scientist no longer need to edit the source code to access information about experiments and layers

Future Directions:

- More types of layers to edit
- Constraints between the layers

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Questions?